

Second Team Oxford Group Reaches City

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Eighteen New Arrivals Include Bishop's Son, Daughter of Admiral and Dutch Expert

Reinforcements of "life changers," 18 of them, arrived in Toronto to join the first team of the Oxford Group.

The press formed a sort of reception committee on the 17th floor of the King Edward. The members of the fresh team were introduced, and each handed over a prepared type-written statement saying who he or she was, and how conversion to the Group took place.

Among the newcomers are an admiral's daughter, a bishop's son, four dons from Oxford and Cambridge, a Dutch expert in international affairs, a pioneer aviator and former King's messenger, and seven young graduates of Cambridge and Oxford.

Canon L. W. Grensted, of Oxford, the leader, said they would be in Toronto for about a week. Plans? They were "under guidance," he said.

WAS REVELATION TO HER.

Miss Mary Richmond, daughter of Admiral Sir Herbert Richmond, K.C.B., a charming young woman in tweed, described her meeting with the group in Cairo.

"I'd always failed to find the message of the church personally effective," her statement read. "Here I saw people who had a joy and purpose in life that I'd seen nowhere else, and as a result of my contact with them I am going to be confirmed in the church in the near future. Although it meant leaving my family at home Christmas, I do feel that the power of God is the only thing that can help the world today."

Bobbie Rawstone is a son of the Bishop of Whalley, and was educated at Eton and Oxford.

ATHLETE COULDN'T RUN OWN LIFE

"I had achieved some success in athletics, having represented the university in the relay team against Oxford, but had found very little success in running my own life," confessed R. C. H. Owbridge, of Cambridge.

"I was just a happy young man about town living from pleasure to pleasure, excitement to excitement," stated Charlie Kirkham, of Zurich.

Others in the party included Miss Kirstie Morrison, tutor of a women's college, Oxford; Rev. Eustace H. Wade, chaplain of Downing College, Cambridge; Rev. Alan Thornhill, chaplain and fellow of Hertford College; Rev. Ronald C. Thompson, formerly of Oxford, now working in To C H by the Tower, in London; Miss Eleanor Gairdner, B.A., daughter of Temple Gairdner, of Cairo, who for the past two years taught at a girls' school in Bristol; and Andre Wurf-bain, from Geneva.